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SUBJECT:SECRETARY'S TRAVEL MAY 15-18: PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT

NO. 2

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT AFTERNOON OF MAY 5  
BEGIN TEXT:

AS YOU KNOW, THE SECRETARY PLANS TO RETURN TO THE U.S.  
SUNDAY, MAY 15 AFTER HIS MAY 12-15 VISIT TO TEHRAN, BEFORE  
RETURNING TO GENEVA FOR HIS MEETINGS WITH SOVIET FOREIGN  
MINISTER GROMYKO. HE WILL FLY MAY 15 FROM TEHRAN VIA U.S.  
AIR FORCE AIRCRAFT TO GENEVA, ARRIVING THERE AT 11:30 A.M.  
FROM GENEVA HE WILL FLY TO NEW YORK COMMERCIALY, ARRIVING  
IN NEW YORK IN THE LATE AFTERNOON.

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HE WILL BE IN NEW YORK AND NEW HAVEN ON PRIVATE BUSINESS  
UNTIL THE MORNING OF TUESDAY, MAY 17 WHEN HE WILL FLY  
COMMERCIALY TO LONDON. HE WILL REMAIN OVERNIGHT IN  
LONDON, THEN FLY COMMERCIALY TO GENEVA ON WEDNESDAY, MAY  
18 FOR THE GROMYKO MEETINGS. THE SECRETARY WILL  
RETURN TO WASHINGTON VIA AIR FORCE AIRCRAFT FOLLOWING HIS  
MEETINGS WITH MR. GROMYKO.

CORRESPONDENTS ACCOMPANYING THE SECRETARY TO TEHRAN MAY FLY WITH HIM TO GENEVA AND DEPLANE THERE ON MAY 15. CORRESPONDENTS PLANNING TO COVER THE GENEVA MEETINGS MAY ALSO REQUEST SPACE ON HIS AIR FORCE AIRCRAFT FOR THE RETURN TO WASHINGTON ON OR ABOUT MAY 20. WE ARE CONTACTING ALL THOSE WHO ORIGINALLY APPLIED FOR THAT FLIGHT TO SEE WHAT THEIR PLANS WILL BE; IF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN CONTACTED, PLEASE CONTACT US. WE WILL ALSO ARRANGE FOR HOTEL SPACE FOR ALL THOSE WHO WISH TO COVER THE GENEVA MEETINGS, WHETHER OR NOT THEY WISH TO ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY BACK TO WASHINGTON.

END TEXT

FOLLOWING ARE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS WE PLAN TO USE ON IF ASKED BASIS:

QUESTION: WHY THE SWITCH TO COMMERCIAL TRAVEL FROM THE PREVIOUSLY PLANNED GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT TEHRAN-WASHINGTON-GENEVA?

ANSWER: THE SECRETARY'S RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES MAY 15 IS PRIMARILY FOR PERSONAL REASONS. ALSO, HE WOULD HAVE BEEN TRAVELING WITH A VERY SMALL PARTY. CONSEQUENTLY IT WAS DECIDED THAT USE OF U.S. GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT FOR THIS BRIEF TRIP WAS NOT WARRANTED.

QUESTION: WHAT WILL THE SECRETARY BE DOING MAY 16 AND 17?  
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ANSWER: AS WE HAVE SAID, HE WILL BE IN NEW YORK AND NEW HAVEN FOR PERSONAL REASONS. (IF PRESSED, ON BACKGROUND, HE WILL ATTEND HIS SON'S GRADUATION FROM YALE MAY 16.)

QUESTION: WHERE WILL THE USAF AIRCRAFT BE DURING THE TIME THE SECRETARY IS BACK IN THE UNITED STATES?

ANSWER: AT A USAF BASE IN GERMANY.

QUESTION: CAN YOU GIVE US THE SECRETARY'S RETURN TRAVEL PLANS?

ANSWER: HE WILL REMAIN OVERNIGHT IN LONDON MAY 17 BUT WILL HAVE NO OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS THERE. WE ARE NOT GOING TO ANNOUNCE HIS PRECISE TRAVEL SCHEDULE NEW YORK-LONDON-GENEVA.

QUESTION: WILL HE COME TO WASHINGTON?

ANSWER: HE HAS NO PRESENT PLANS TO DO SO.

QUESTION: WILL HE SPEAK TO THE PRESIDENT BY TELEPHONE?

ANSWER: I DON'T KNOW. CHRISTOPHER

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